

House \_\_\_\_\_ Amendment NO. \_\_\_\_\_

Offered By \_\_\_\_\_

1 AMEND House Bill No. 503, Page 2, Section 452.335, Lines 34-35, by deleting all of said lines and  
2 inserting in lieu thereof the following:

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4 "4. (1) All maintenance orders shall include a termination date of not more than ten years  
5 from date of entry of the original order; except that, any maintenance obligation which is in  
6 arrears at the scheduled termination date shall not terminate until the obligor has repaid such  
7 arrears in full. No additional obligation shall accrue during the repayment of any arrears;

8 (2) Any maintenance obligation in effect on the effective date of this section and not in  
9 arrears may be automatically terminated six months after maintenance has been paid for ten years, or  
10 six months after the effective date of this section, whichever is later. The maintenance obligation of  
11 any obligor who is in arrears shall not be terminated until such obligor has repaid the entire  
12 arrears in full, including the additional six months of maintenance required under this subdivision.  
13 No additional obligation shall accrue during the repayment of any arrears;

14 (3) Any obligor who meets the requirements of this subsection may seek an automatic  
15 termination of his or her maintenance obligation by filing notice with the court of the obligor's intent  
16 to terminate his or her maintenance obligation in accordance with this section and submitting  
17 evidence sufficient to establish that the obligor's maintenance obligation is paid in full and not in  
18 arrears. The court shall, without a hearing, verify whether the maintenance obligation is paid in full  
19 and not in arrears. Upon such verification, the court shall automatically terminate the obligor's  
20 maintenance obligation and notify the obligee of such termination;

21 (4) During any six-month period of continued maintenance payments or period of repayment  
22 of arrears by an obligor under this subsection, the court shall not modify the existing order of  
23 maintenance;

24 (5) Nothing in this subsection shall be construed as invalidating or otherwise nullifying a  
25 termination date of any order of maintenance in existence on the effective date of this section which  
26 terminates a maintenance obligation in less than ten years;

27 (6) Notwithstanding any provision of subdivision (1) to (5) to the contrary, if the spouse  
28 receiving maintenance is physically or mentally incapacitated from supporting himself or herself and  
29 is insolvent, the court may extend the maintenance obligation past the termination date."; and

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31 Further amend said bill by amending the title, enacting clause, and intersectional references  
32 accordingly.

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